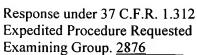
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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.312 in the above-captioned application.

	Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed
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	A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

A Request for Extension of Time. X No additional fee is required.

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In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 18, 2004 and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.312, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendment to the claims in the present application:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this Response.